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For: METHODS OF MAKING FUNCTIONALIZED POLYMERS

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2005. This response is being filed with a petition for a two month retroactive of time and the required fee. Although, Applicants believe that no further extensions of time are required with submission of this paper, Applicants request that this submission also be considered as a petition for any further extensions of time if necessary. The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge the amount due for any retroactive extensions of time and any deficiency in any fees due with the filing of this paper or credit any overpayment in any fees paid on the filing or during prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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